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Adopt-A-Precinct Program Benefits Everyone

Supervisor of Elections Shirley Anderson and staff spent a few days this week presenting checks to groups that participated in the *Adopt-A-Precinct* program. Five groups participated in the August 23rd Primary Election. The Brooksville Junior Women's Service League, Kiwanis Club of Brooksville, Hernando County Sheriff's Charities, NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), Daughters of the American Revolution (Winding Waters Chapter) all received checks this week from the Supervisor of Elections.

"Since the inception of this program in 2014 we have returned \$38,221.99 back to the community. It is a fantastic tool for the elections office to recruit election workers and a great opportunity for service organizations to raise money. Innovative programs such as Adopt-A-Precinct help foster the community service spirit while helping us fill the need for dedicated, service driven poll workers. The group provides the people, we provide the training, and together we *Promote the Vote*," stated Supervisor Anderson.

Here's a little bit more about the program:

Local clubs and organizations can utilize the "Adopt-A-Precinct" (AAP) program to give back to the community through civic duty, while at the same time earning money for their causes. The Supervisor of Elections office provides training to become an election worker. Club members will attend the mandatory trainings and then staff a precinct on Election Day. They are paid the same wage as any citizen serving as an election worker, but Adopt-A-Precinct participants have agreed in advance to donate their Election Day earnings to their designated organization. The SOE will present a check to the service organization following the election.

If your organization is interested in learning more, visit https://www.hernandovotes.gov/Election-worker/Adopt-A-Precinct or contact us at 352-754-4125.

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